

Riverside County Fire
Grants Management Office
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Grant Project	Status Update
<u>PENDING GRANT APPLICATIONS</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
1) 04 AFG Fire Prevention and Safety Grant	1) Announcement of Prevention awards starts this month. If awarded, funds will be used for juvenile fire setters prevention program. The Board approved the Form 11 that authorizes County Fire to apply for the grant on 10/5.
2) Metropolitan Medical Response System Bio-terrorism Preparedness Grant	2) Funds from this grant will go toward equipment for County Fire HazMat.
3) 2005/2006 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)	3) Received written notification that grant applications for stations that need air bags and/or air chisels, and a generator for Poppet Flats submitted to the 1 st , 3 rd , 4 th and 5 th Districts were deemed eligible. The grant application submitted to the 2 nd District was deemed ineligible. RCOFD has been invited to attend a Public Hearing on March 22, 2005 to give a brief presentation on behalf of the grant applications. This will help the Board of Supervisors determine funding priorities.
4) 2004/2005 VFA Supplemental	4) Received verbal notification that our request will be approved for a Vega Viper Interoperability C-Soft consoles and SCBA gear for the following twelve (12) rural fire stations: Cottonwood #52, Poppet Flats #63, Pine Cove #23, Anza #29, Sage #28, Pinyon #30, Gardner Valley #53, Lake Riverside #77, El Cariso #51, Rancho Carrillo #62, Rancho Capistrano #74, and Lakeland Village #11.
5) Continuing Challenge Grant	5) Executive Team has approved. Will apply for grant for HazMat team to attend the Annual Continuing Challenge HazMat Workshop in Sacramento in September 2005.
6) 2005 Pre-Disaster Mitigation Competitive Grant	6) Board authorized RCOFD to apply for the grant. Deadline for submission of grant application has changed to 2/25/05. In the process of securing information for BCA to retrofit Stations #16, 22, 40, and 42.
7) Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee (CBC)	7) Applications have been submitted to the Indian Tribes. Have met with Cabazon regarding their application and in the process of meeting with Morongo.

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<p>8) California Office of Traffic Safety Grant</p>	<p>Requested the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Convert nine (9) existing staffing and engines in casino areas (Stations #20, 24, 25, 26, 35, 36, 72, 81, and 89) to emergency medical/paramedic units that provide basic and advanced life support (paramedic) and transport, automatic external defibrillators, and specialized heavy and helicopter rescue. ✓ Staff and equip heavy rescue engines for stations 24, 25, and 35 ✓ Secure partial funding and staff for new Station #77 <p>8) Grant application has been submitted to OTS. Requested twenty-three air chisels for Stations #1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 12A, 15, 16, 23, 26, 27, 30, 32, 36, 57, 58, 60, 68, 76, 86, and thirteen (13) 50-ton (3 bag) air bag rescue systems for Stations #2, 7, 9, 10, 26, 37, 53, 58, 60, 61, 64, 68, 76, 84, and 87, thirty (30) high-pressure cylinders, one thermal imaging camera and supplies for Station #17, two (2) sets of rope rescue equipment for Stations 51 and 64, and a chain saw for Station #51.</p>
<p><u>OTHER GRANT FUNDING SOURCES AND REQUESTS</u></p> <p>1) Helicopter Hoist and Backup Cable</p> <p>2) Gas Detection Equipment</p> <p>3) Riverside County Community Health Agency - Bio-Terrorism Preparedness Branch</p> <p>4) Enhanced 911 Grants for Wireless Emergency Systems</p>	<p><u>STATUS</u></p> <p>1) The Executive Team approved rerouting \$110,000 in SHSGP funds to purchase the hoist and cable. A request has been made to begin the process of securing grant approval for the budget change. This process could take up to two months. Also included in the Indian Gaming grant as a backup-funding source.</p> <p>2) In the process of researching grant funding availability for Blythe Battalion. They requested funding for a “four gas monitor.”</p> <p>3) Exploring the possibility of securing grant funding from this source to help find and fund specific training to meet HazMat’s Federal and State certification requirements.</p> <p>4) Grant is provided through the Public Safety Foundation of America. Deadline will be sometime in April 2005 with approximately \$1.95 million in funding availability. The focus of the grant is to fund the implementation of enhanced 911, or wireless 911 technologies,</p>

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<p>5) GSK/TUMS – First Responder Institute Challenge Grant Program</p> <p>6) 2005 Assistance to Firefighters Grant Program</p> <p>7) Station 52 (Cottonwood)</p>	<p>including planning and coordination, equipment and technology upgrades. To assist in deploying this technology in emergency dispatch centers.</p> <p>5) A small maximum \$2,500 firefighting equipment grant for “needy fire departments” with a 50/50 cost share.</p> <p>6) The Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Program posted today the initial schedule of applicant workshops for the 2005 Fire Grants. This year, the Congress has appropriated over \$600M specifically for Fire Grants. The application period is tentatively scheduled for March 7 to April 8. The Fire Grants for this year are very similar to those from last year. There is little change. One change is that the Congress has directed the program office to award a limited number of grants (on a competitive basis) to Emergency Medical Service (EMS) organizations that are not affiliated with a fire department. <u>Received proposal ideas so far from Chief Hyatt, Chief Michael, Chief Paiz, Chief Mason, and Chief Otero. Will submit recommendation to the Executive Team this week.</u></p> <p>7) Submitted request to Cahuilla, Pechanga, Agua Calienta, and Cabazon Indians tribes for Indian Gaming Local Community Benefit Committee grant funding to purchase a new four-door, four-wheel rescue squad with extrication tools and built-in generator.</p>
<p>GRANTS NOT AWARDED OR SUBMITTED</p> <p>1) 2004/2005 Rural Access to Emergency Devices Grant (RAED)</p> <p>2) 04 Assistance to Firefighters Grant</p> <p>3) Public Access Defibrillation Demonstration Projects</p> <p>4) HRSA Rural Emergency Medical Service Training and Equipment</p>	<p>1) Funds defibrillators. Will not apply, no interest at this time.</p> <p>2) Funds for SCBA project. Not awarded.</p> <p>3) County Fire does not want to apply for this grant because funding does not meet internal requirements.</p> <p>4) Applicants must submit a nine-page “pre-application” to HRSA by January 10, 2005. There will be no new competitions available for FY '05.</p>

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<p>Assistance Program</p> <p>5) California Fire Safety Council Clearinghouse</p> <p>6) 2006 Bureau of Land Management WUI Grant</p> <p>7) Station #27 – Extrication Equipment</p> <p>8) Emergency Telephone Notification System</p>	<p>5) Will not submit concept paper. Received conditional funding for Oak Glen fuel break project.</p> <p>6) Will not apply. Received conditional funding for Oak Glen fuel break project.</p> <p>7) Did not apply for extrication equipment from Office of Traffic Safety at this time.</p> <p>8) Verizon is unable to provide Riverside County with an Emergency Notification System. If Riverside County is still interested, Verizon’s Public Safety Account Manager will make a referral to the company he was working with and have them work directly with Riverside County.</p>
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COMPLETED GRANTS	OUTCOME
<p>1) State Emergency Medical Services Authority Grant</p> <p>2) EMS Certification</p> <p>3) May Day 2004 Exercise</p>	<p>1) Purchased 7 defibrillators.</p> <p>2) Of the 120 paid firefighters eligible to upgrade, 111 (93%) completed the EMS course. Net result – 99% of County Fire paid personnel are trained at the EMT level or higher. 88 volunteer firefighters completed the course. \$238,872 in EMS equipment and supplies was purchased to replace worn training equipment and update training aids for classes. The new equipment and supplies allowed County Fire to build three EMS training caches so that EMS classes may be taught simultaneously at multiple locations throughout Riverside County.</p> <p>3) The County of Riverside Bio Terrorism and Preparedness Branch conducted an Operational Area exercise called “May Day 2004.” The exercise provided: a) an understanding of how available resources respond together to an event, and b) an effective</p>

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<p>4) 03/04 OTS Fire Rescue Tools and Equipment</p> <p>5) Wal-Mart Safe Neighborhood Heroes Grant</p> <p>6) FY02 State Domestic Preparedness Grant Program</p>	<p>way to evaluate emergency response. Participating agencies were as follows: Cities of Riverside, Palm Springs, Corona, Hemet, Riverside County Sheriff and Fire Departments, and American Medical Response.</p> <p>4) Fire equipment purchased and final reimbursement requested.</p> <p>5) The funds were used to purchase rescue equipment for the volunteer fire squad at Lakeland Village.</p> <p>6) RCOFD received reimbursement check in the amount of \$59,057 for the purchase of HazMat's Decon Trailer.</p>
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